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To: CN=Palmer Hough/OU=DC/O=USEPA/C=US@EPA
Subject: Re: Meeting with Bristol Bay Native Association re Proposed Mining Projects in Bristol Bay Region
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do you want me to add your call-in# to this meeting invitation? if so, send it to me. thanks.

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Meeting with Bristol Bay Native Association re Proposed Mining Projects in Bristol Bay Region

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Mr. Stahl and Mr. Reid,

I am helping the Bristol Bay Native Association in Alaska set up an appointment schedule for a mid-February, 2011 visit to Washington, D.C. While in DC, the BBNA delegation would like to meet with the appropriate officials at EPA regarding proposed mining projects in the Bristol Bay region and the regulation of water quality from those projects. From my research, I understand that the American Indian Environmental Office and the Office of Wetlands, Oceans & Watersheds would have the most knowledge about these subjects.

Specifically, on behalf of BBNA, I would like to request an appointment with you, Mr. Stahl, or your designee, and, Mr. Reid, with Acting Director Denise Keehner or her designee at a convenient time on either Feb. 15, 16 or 17. Please let me know if your offices would be the most appropriate ones to meet with, or if you would recommend that other people at EPA also be contacted. Any assistance you could offer in scheduling appointments for the BBNA representatives to discuss mining & water quality issues would be most appreciated.

Below, I have listed the names and affiliations of the BBNA delegation members who will be traveling to DC. Given its size, the group will break into smaller teams for purposes of attending the appointments.

Just for background information, BBNA is a non-profit tribal consortium organized to provide a variety of educational, social, economic and related services to the Native people and communities of Alaska's Bristol Bay region. Made up of 31 recognized tribes, BBNA's mission is to maintain and promote a strong regional organization that serves as a unified voice for the region's indigenous population. Commercial and subsistence fishing are the region's most important sources of income and sustenance, and are important culturally to all of the residents. The Bristol Bay watershed produces the one of the world's largest wild salmon runs.

Please let me know if I can provide you with any additional information. Thank you for your consideration of this request!

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